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## Results For First Weekend of Enforcement for 2012 Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign

More DUI checkpoints set for upcoming weekend.

**Dover** – Eight (8) people were arrested for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol and/or drugs during the inaugural weekend of the 2012 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* DUI prevention campaign. Officers statewide conducted three sobriety checkpoints in Newport, Georgetown, and Magnolia.

In addition to the checkpoint DUI arrests, officers issued 1 citation for underage drinking, 1 cell phone citation, apprehended 5 wanted individuals, made 1 drug arrest, issued 16 seat belt citations, and 61 citations for various other traffic violations.

Four checkpoints are scheduled to take place the weekend of July 6th. They are scheduled for: Friday July 6th – Newark- (NCCo DUI Task Force)- checkpoint

Milford (multi-jurisdictional effort)- checkpoint

Saturday July 7<sup>th</sup> – Smyrna (multi-jurisdictional effort)- checkpoint Rehoboth (multi-jurisdictional effort)- checkpoint

Checkpoint Strikeforce is a regional sobriety checkpoint campaign aimed at arresting DUI offenders, and using high visibility enforcement to deter those who would otherwise choose to drink and drive. The campaign, a six month long effort running through New Year's Eve, involves setting up weekly DUI checkpoints statewide.

For more information on *Checkpoint Strikeforce* visit <u>www.ohs.delaware.gov</u>, <u>www.DUIRealTime.com</u> and follow regular campaign updates on Twitter at <u>www.twitter.com/DEHighwaySafe</u> and Facebook www.facebook.com/ArriveAliveDE.